24. (New) The computer program of claim 23, wherein:

the layer has two or more non-contiguous non-transparent regions in a transparent frame; and

the non-transparent regions in combination define the area.

25. (New) The computer program of claim 24, further comprising instructions for causing a computer to:

generate multiple image maps from the non-transparent regions.

26. (New) The computer program of claim 5, wherein:

any holes within the region are ignored.

27. (New) The computer program of claim 5, wherein:

separate regions having no holes are created if the region has holes; and

the separate regions in combination contribute to the definition of the area.
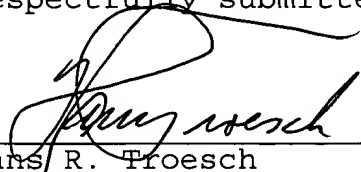
REMARKS

Claims 1-9 were pending. This preliminary amendment adds claims 10-27. No new matter is added.

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